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News Release

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DAYTON, Ohio, October 11, 1984 -- The University of Dayton Alumni Association, through its National Board of Governors, will honor five alumni at an awards ceremony dinner on Saturday, October 13, at the UD Kennedy Union. The 7 p.m. affair is a part of the weekend's homecoming events. Based on continual and outstanding accomplishments, the Alumni Association will present two awards, the Distinguished Alumnus Award and the Special Achievement Award.

Winners of this year's Distinguished Alumnus Award are Dr. John Condon, Dr. Charles Wilke, and Dr. Ronald Collins. Recipients of the Special Achievement Award are Don Donoher and Dr. Richard Schoen.

Condon of Libertyville, Illinois and a 1951 graduate of UD, will be recognized for his professional leadership in reliability and quality assurance, as well as for his leadership in civic and religious activities. Currently, Condon is vice president for quality assurance at the Abbott Laboratories in Chicago. Prior to his current position, he carried ultimate responsibility for the reliability of the Saturn Missile System for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA). Condon had also held leadership positions in the Washington area in boy scouting and in fund raising for needy parishes and missions throughout the country.

Wilke, of El Cerrito, California, is a 1940 graduate of UD. He is a professor of chemical engineering at the University of California, Berkeley, where he has taught since 1946. A member of the National Academy of Engineering, he has written over 100 scholarly articles as well as text books. In addition, he was one of 30 people to be

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singled out as Eminent Chemical Engineers by the American Institute of Chemical Engineers at its 75th Diamond Jubilee Celebration in 1983. Wilke is being cited for his many services to the American Institute of Chemical Engineers, including terms as Institute director, chairman of the Northern California Section, and representative to the California State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers. His contributions to the understanding of various aspects of biochemical engineering have earned him international recognition.

Collins, of Ypsilanti, Michigan, is a 1957 graduate of UD. Collins will be honored for his contributions to the field of chemistry, chemical education, computers, computer-assisted instruction, and university administration. Currently, Collins is vice president and provost of Eastern Michigan University. He has written a book on computer-assisted instruction in chemistry and received the University of Dayton Alumni Association Special Achievement Award in 1979.

Donoher, of Dayton, Ohio, is a 1954 graduate and coach of the UD Flyer basketball team. Donoher, who served on the coaching staff of the 1984 Olympic basketball team, is cited as "the winningest coach in the history of UD basketball" with a record of 363 wins and 202 losses. In 1984, Donoher took his Flyers to the regional finals of the NCAA tournament, bringing national recognition to the University. He is honored as not only a talented coach, but also a gentleman who sincerely believes in the values of his Catholic faith.

Schoen, of Berkeley, California, is a 1972 graduate of UD. Cited for his accomplishments in the field of mathematics, Schoen was singled out as one of two mathematicians in the entire country to receive the 1983 MacArthur Foundation Fellowship, a five year award of \$172,000. The fellowship is designed to allow the recipient to develop his talent without external restraints. As a result of his success

in mathematical research and publications, Schoen rose to a professorship at University of California, Berkeley. During his tenure, he also received a Guggenheim Fellowship for study in Australia.

The awards will be presented at 7 p.m. in University of Dayton's Kennedy Union Torch Lounge. For more information contact the UD Alumni office at 229-2911.